GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:900
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FAKE STAMP PAPER RACKET
SHYAMA SINGH

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Delhi Police have unearthed a racket of private firms selling fake Government stamps worth crores of rupees to banks and companies as reported in the `Times of India` dated January 5, 2001;

(b) if so, the modus operandi of the racket;

(c) whether any arrest have been made in this regard;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to check such crimes?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. The investigation conducted by Delhi Police revealed that fake and forged stamps were being procured from a Mumbai based firm and sold to various unsuspecting agencies which required stamps in bulk;

(c) & (d): Delhi Police have in this connection arrested eight persons;

(e): The steps taken by Delhi Police to check such crimes include sensitising police personnel about such crimes; watch on printing presses; and surveillance of persons suspected to be involved in such crimes.